AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) An accessory for a wireless communications device comprising:

a first peripheral accessory device;

a system plug that mates with a system connector on the wireless communications device;

a cord electrically connecting the first peripheral accessory device with the system plug;

an auxiliary system connector configured to connect a second peripheral accessory device to the wireless communications device, said auxiliary system connector being integrally formed with the cord and positioned along the cord between the system plug and the first peripheral device; and

a switch disposed on the auxiliary system connector, and configured to selectively connect the first and second peripheral devices to the wireless communications device.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Cancelled).

4. (Previously Presented) The accessory of claim 1 wherein the switch connects the wireless communications device to the first peripheral device via a first audio-in path in a first position, and to the second peripheral device via a second audio-in path in a second position.

5. (Previously Presented) The accessory of claim 1 wherein the switch connects the wireless communications device to the first peripheral device via a first audio-out path in a first position, and to the second peripheral device via a second audio-out path in a second position.

6. (Previously Presented) The accessory of claim 1 wherein the switch connects the first peripheral device to the wireless communications device via a first path in a first position, and to the second peripheral device via a second path in a second position.

7. (Previously Presented) The accessory of claim 1 wherein the switch comprises circuitry to automatically detect the type of peripheral device connected to the auxiliary system connector.

8. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 wherein the auxiliary system connector further connects a third peripheral device.

9. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 wherein one of the first and second peripheral devices is a hands-free headset.

10. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 wherein one of the first and second peripheral devices is a battery charger.

11. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 wherein one of the first and second peripheral devices is a MP3 player.

12. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 wherein one of the first and second peripheral devices is a camera.

13. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 wherein one of the first and second peripheral devices is a flash accessory.

14. (Original) The accessory of claim 1 further comprising a second auxiliary system connector integrally formed with the cord.

15. (Previously Presented) A method of connecting accessories to a wireless communications device comprising:

connecting a first peripheral accessory device to a system connector on the wireless communications device, the first peripheral accessory device comprising a cord that interconnects the first peripheral accessory device and a system plug;

connecting a second peripheral accessory device to an auxiliary system plug integrally formed with the cord and positioned along the cord between the system plug and the first peripheral device; and

selectively switching between one or more signal paths that extend between the first and second peripheral accessory devices and the wireless communications device to selectively connect the first and second peripheral accessory devices to the wireless communications device.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein connecting a first peripheral accessory device comprises mating the system plug on the first peripheral accessory device with a system connector on the wireless communications device.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein connecting a second peripheral accessory device comprises mating a system plug on the second peripheral accessory device with the auxiliary system plug.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 further comprising connecting a third peripheral accessory device to the auxiliary system plug by mating a system plug on the third peripheral accessory device with the auxiliary system plug.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein selectively switching between one or more signal paths comprises switching a source of audio into the wireless communications device from the first peripheral accessory device to the second peripheral accessory device.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein selectively switching between one or more signal paths comprises switching a source of audio out of the wireless communications device into the second peripheral accessory device from the first peripheral accessory device.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein selectively switching between one or more signal paths comprises switching a source of audio into the first peripheral accessory device from the wireless communications device to the second peripheral accessory device.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 further comprising automatically detecting the type of peripheral accessory device connected to the auxiliary system plug.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising controlling signals communicated between the wireless communications device and the first or second peripheral accessory devices responsive to the detected peripheral accessory device type.